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University may punish off-campus behavior

By Josh Newville
Statesman Staff Reporter

Currently, actions of University of Minnesota students while on-campus or at campus-related events can be disciplined by the University if the student violates the Student Conduct Code. Pending a Dec. 7 vote, however, students may be subject to punishment for off-campus incidents.

Should the vote by the Board of Regents pass, changes to the language of the code could mean sanctions as serious as expulsion for accusations or evidence of off-campus behavior that, as

stated in the proposed code changes, "adversely affects a substantial University interest".

Broader jurisdiction of the conduct code is needed to ensure the University can respond to such incidents as rape, assault and harassment at the university level; they add that the intent is not to go after violations such as underage drinking and shoplifting according to UMD Vice Chancellor Bruce Gildseth and U of M Student Affairs Chief of Staff Amelious Whyte.

Despite their (White and Gildseth's) stated intent, debate exists over the vague-

ness of the proposed language. As written, some students argue the code can and will be used for off campus: parties, underage consumption, drug use and disorderly conduct-type violations, among others.

"There isn't any interest in becoming the Police... There's no doubt in my mind that this is intended to have a narrow utilization," said Gildseth, whose office is the primary hand of code enforcement at UMD.

"The language is actually intended to focus the university administrators to matters that truly have a

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Organizations reach out for the holidays

By Melissa Schmidt
Statesman Staff Reporter

Although many people are still recovering from Thanksgiving dinner, houses with lights and commercials for holiday sales are constant reminders that Christmas is just around the corner. Various groups around the Duluth area are kicking off the Christmas season by helping out some of the less fortunate families in the area.

Lutheran Campus Ministry (LCM) and Students Engaged in Rewarding Volunteer Experiences (SERVE) are combining forces to provide gifts, as well as dinner and entertainment, to 10 families (including about 16 children) for a holiday celebration.

"This event is a great opportunity for UMD to work together, while also strengthening the bond between UMD and the community," said Kelsey Hultman, a junior student member of SERVE.

SERVE is also volunteering through a program called Snow Angels, in

which students can sign up to shovel sidewalks and driveways for the elderly and disabled members of the community.

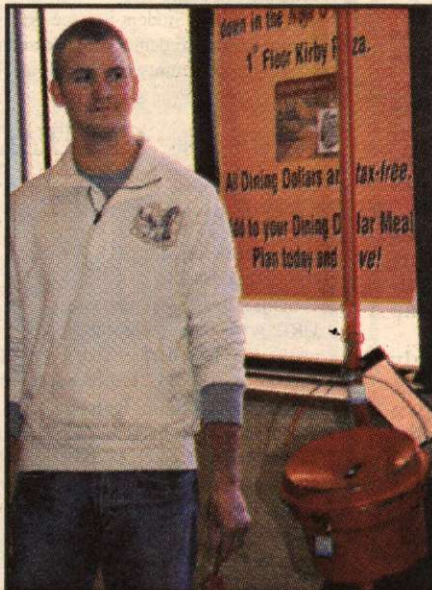
LCM will be offering Advent services during the Christmas season on Dec 6 and 13. The offerings from these services will go towards the purchase of a heifer through The Heifer Project Organization, which provides livestock to poor families in underdeveloped countries.

"This organization helps fight hunger and economic problems through teaching families how to raise the livestock; then when the heifer has a calf, it is given to a neighbor to continue to help the community," said Christine Kopp, president of LCM.

SERVE and LCM also volunteer through bell ringing for the Salvation Army at Mount Royal and other local places.

The Newman Catholic Campus Ministry will be putting up a Giving Tree, which contains ornaments, with items that local charities have requested for the Christmas season written on

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SA member Lee Church rings a bell to raise money for the Salvation Army.

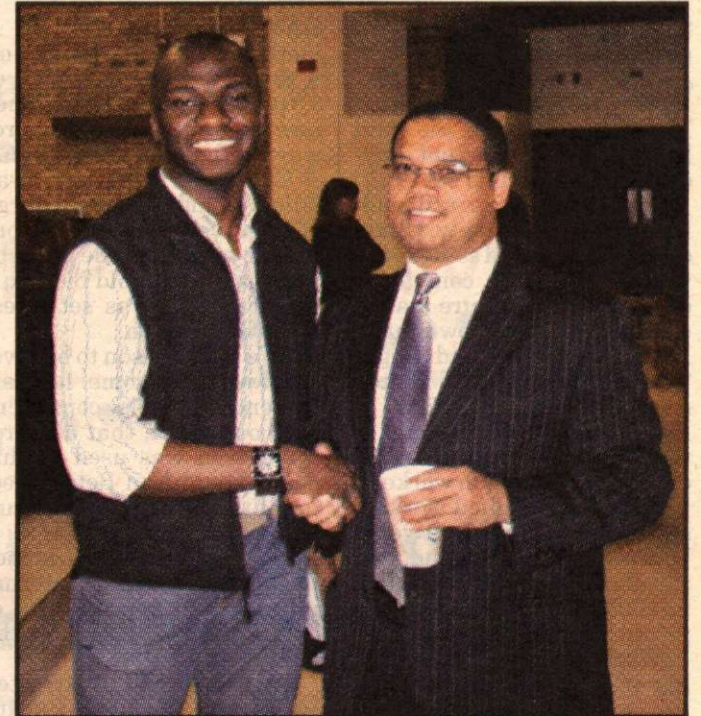


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UMD student, Chinweike Eseonu, stands with Keith Ellison after he spoke last Saturday in Bohannon 90.

Congressman speaks of political issues at UMD

By Chinweike Eseonu
Guest Contributor

As the first Muslim. United States legislator, newly elected congressman, Keith Ellison, was on campus to give a lecture on the state of politics in America, his desire to fight for the common good, campaign challenges and his run-ins with the law.

"Students are a very potent force when it comes to good ideas," Ellison said at the onset of the discussion, which was part of a Public Affairs lecture series organized by the Center for Advocacy and Political Leadership here at the University.

Congressman Ellison spoke on issues ranging from the just concluded campaign to gay marriage, global warming and the war in Iraq.

Ellison is one of many democrats who won vacant or previously Republican seats in the U.S. House of Representatives. As the first Muslim member of congress and

the first African American legislator from Minnesota, one might say that his election was considerably different.

He mentions, during the lecture, that he faced a great deal of opposition from his opponents in the democratic primaries. He failed to gain the backing of his democratic predecessor and ran a race in which questions about everything from his religious identity to failure to pay parking tickets raised questions about his character.

When asked how he handles questions raised as a result of his religious affiliation, he said that "the most important part of each one of us is internal, invisible and can not be harmed."

In an interview with CNN's Glenn Beck on Nov. 14 of this year, when Ellison was asked to "prove that (he) is not working with (America's) enemies," the congressman from Minnesota's fifth con-

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NEWS NOW

FORD WORKERS TAKE BUYOUTS

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) — An estimated three-quarters of the union workers at the Ford Motor Co. plant in St. Paul have decided to accept buyouts, union officials said.

Employees had until midnight Monday to apply. Union officials estimated some 1,400 would accept the company's offer. An exact figure wasn't expected to be known until later this week, said Roger Terveen, president of United Auto Workers Local 879.

The plant, which makes the Ranger pickup truck, employs 1,725 union workers. Ford has furloughed workers several times in recent years because of light demand, and the plant is scheduled to close in 2008 as part of a company restructuring.

Workers have been turning in their applications for the past six weeks. They were able to choose between eight different buyout packages ranging in value from \$35,000 to \$140,000, depending on age and length of service.

HOUSE BALLOTS RECOUNTED

WINONA, Minn. (AP) — Ballots in a tight state House race in southeastern Minnesota are being re-counted, but in an unusual twist, not where they were cast.

A re-count was required by law after Democrat Ken Tschumper's narrow victory over incumbent Republican Greg Davids in District 31B, which covers parts of Houston and Fillmore counties.

Secretary of State Mary Kiffmeyer, with authorization from the state canvassing board, decided to re-count the ballots in St. Paul rather than sending workers from her office to the district. Kiffmeyer said re-counts held four years ago around the state were expensive and inconvenient for everyone involved, and this new approach will be evaluated.

Fillmore County Auditor-elect Shirl Boelter said the change will deprive local voters the chance to view the process.

BABY KILLED BY A MICROWAVE

DAYTON, Ohio (AP) — A mother was arrested on suspicion of murdering her newborn daughter by microwaving the baby in an oven.

China Arnold, 26, was jailed Monday on a charge of aggravated murder, more than a year after she brought her dead month-old baby to a hospital. Bail was set Tuesday at \$1 million.

"We have reason to believe, and we have some forensic evidence that is consistent with our belief, that a microwave oven was used in this death," said Ken Betz, director of the Montgomery County coroner's office.

He said the evidence included high-heat internal injuries and the absence of external burn marks on the baby, Paris Talley.

Arnold was arrested soon after the baby's death in August 2005, then was released while authorities investigated further. Betz said the case was difficult because "there is not a lot of scientific research and data on the effect of microwaves on human beings."

The death was ruled homicide by hyperthermia, or high body temperature. The absence of external burns ruled out an open flame, scalding water or a heating pad as the cause, Betz said.

Arnold's lawyer, Jon Paul Rion, said his client had nothing to do with her child's death and was stunned when investigators told her that a microwave might have been involved.

"China as a mother and a person was horrified that such an act could occur," Rion said.

The night before the baby was taken to the hospital, Arnold and the child's father went out for a short time and left Paris with a baby sitter, Rion said. The mother didn't sense anything out of the ordinary until the next morning, when the child was found unconscious, Rion said.

Arnold has three other children.

In 2000, a Virginia woman was sentenced to five years for killing her month-old son in a microwave oven.

AIDS WILL TOP DEATH CAUSES

LONDON (AP) — Within the next 25 years, AIDS is set to join heart disease and stroke as the top three causes of death worldwide, according to a study published online Monday.

When global mortality projections were last calculated a decade ago, researchers had assumed the number of AIDS cases would be declining. Instead, it's on the rise.

Currently ranked fourth behind heart disease, stroke and respiratory infections, AIDS is set to become No. 3, say researchers in a new report in the Public Library of Science's Medicine journal. It accounts for about 2.8 million deaths every year, but could near 120 million by 2030.

Overall, the researchers predict that in three decades, the causes of global mortality will be strikingly similar worldwide, apart from the prevalence of AIDS in poorer countries. Most people will be dying at older ages of non-infectious diseases like cardiovascular disease, stroke and cancer.

The paper by Dr. Colin Mathers and Dejan Loncar of the World Health Organization estimates that at least 117 million people will die from AIDS by 2030. In an optimistic future projection, if new HIV infections are curbed and access to life-prolonging antiretrovirals is increased, 89 million people will die from the disease.

"What happens in the future depends very much on what the international community does now," Mathers said.

These marked differences should spark changes in current approaches to controlling AIDS now, say some experts.

"It will be increasingly hard to sustain treatment programs unless we can turn off the tap of new HIV infections," said Dr. Richard Hays, professor of epidemiology at London's School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, who was not linked to the study. "These AIDS numbers point to a need to do more in prevention."

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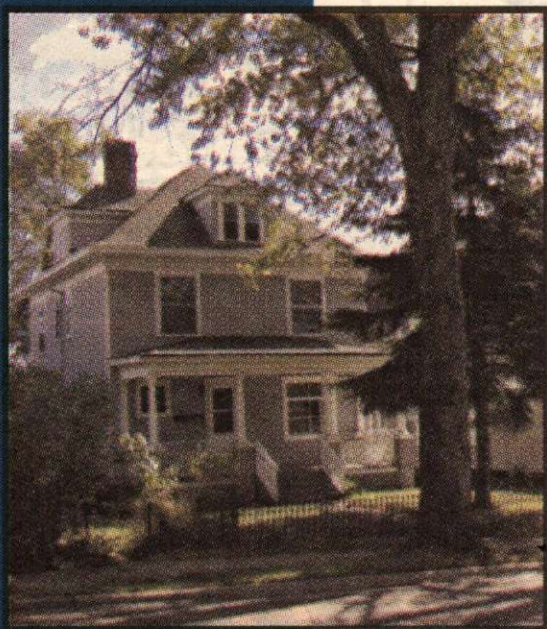
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Suspicious device found in Minneapolis Airport

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — The FBI found and questioned the man who rented a car in which a suspicious device was found at the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport, an airport spokesman said Sunday night.

Airport spokesman Pat Hogan says the FBI found him somewhere in Oregon. Hogan said he did not know which city.

The man was questioned but was not arrested, he said.

"He suggests that it was not meant to be a bomb, but the FBI is still investigating and trying to confirm his statements," Hogan said.

Sunday was one of the busiest travel days of the year, and the airport is the headquarters hub for Northwest Airlines, but Hogan said flights were not affected.

The Bloomington Police Department bomb squad detonated the device without incident Sunday afternoon and found it contained no explosive material.

But Hogan said it strongly resembled a bomb.

"It had wires coming out of it, and shrapnel attached, and it was concealed in the cargo area in a way where you wouldn't see it if you were just casually looking into the trunk," he said.

A cleaner with Avis Rent A Car found the device while inspecting the recently returned car around 10:30 a.m.

"I've just never seen anything that scared me as much as today did," said Clinton Holder, the Avis manager on duty at the time.

On any given Sunday, Holder said, some 400 vehicles are returned to the airport and searched bumper to bumper before they're rented out again.

"They're looking for anything and everything," he said.

Airport security officers with bomb-sniffing dogs swept the airport terminal and the parking garage where the car was returned, but Hogan said they didn't turn up anything else suspicious.

Drink specials may dry up

FARGO, N.D. (AP) — Campus officials are proposing to ban certain drink specials at bars as a way to reduce drinking problems among college students.

Karin Walton, director of the North Dakota College Consortium for Substance Abuse Prevention, brought up the issue Tuesday at the Gov. George Sinner Public Policy Symposium at Concordia College in neighboring Moorhead, Minn. The event focused on drug and alcohol abuse.

Walton said drink specials like three-for-ones encourage excessive drinking in a short time.

Laura Oster-Aaland, a student orientation director at North Dakota State University, said 27 states have legislation that prohibits happy hours or drink specials.

"I don't think it's the only solution, but it's a step in the right direction," Oster-Aaland said.

"Obviously, anyone who wants to drink to excess is probably still going to be able to do it, but to openly promote excessive drinking is something that should not be

allowed in our society," said Minnesota state Rep. Morrie Lanning, R-Moorhead.

Dan Dammer, owner of Big Daddy's in Fargo, which offers two-for-one drink specials, said legislation banning them would have little effect. Customers decide how much they want to drink, he said.

"I don't think it's driven by the price as much as people would believe," Dammer said.

Gary Peterson, owner of Chumley's in Moorhead, said there are so many variables in the liquor industry that it would be hard to legislate.

"I don't know any way they could write a law to get rid of them (drink specials)," Peterson said.

Peterson, who has worked in the food and beverage industry for 37 years, said bar that offers three drinks for the price of one but puts half a shot in each drink may be better than a bar that puts 1 1/2 shots in one drink.

For the legislation to be effective in border cities, both Minnesota and North Dakota would have to support it, said Susanne Williams, assistant

to the Minnesota State University Moorhead president.

Oster-Aaland said supporters are looking for someone to sponsor legislation that could target drink specials starting at a certain time of day, such as after 11 p.m.

Walton said she also would like to see a law requiring employees to get training before they can serve alcohol.

Dammer said server training has helped his employees to recognize when customers need to be cut off or when to call them a cab.

In Fargo, West Fargo and Moorhead, server training is taught by law enforcement officials and coordinated by the Safe Communities Coalition. Walton said it could be a model for other cities.

East Central District Judge John Irby said he would like to see the state provide more money for drug courts, which offer intensely supervised programs as an alternative to jail.

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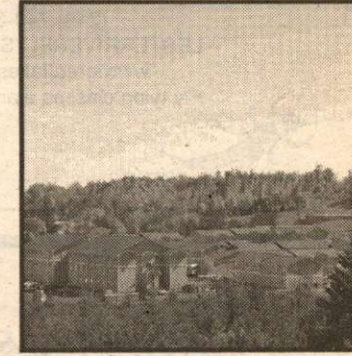
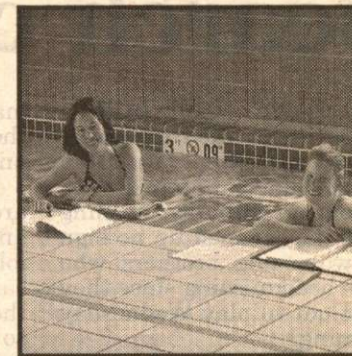
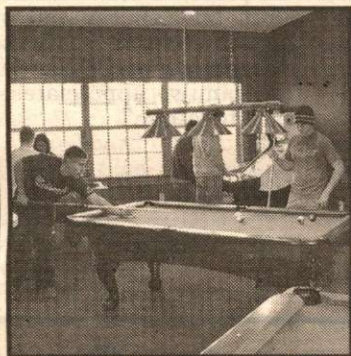
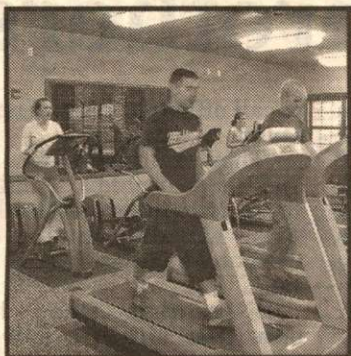
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Search called off for missing brothers

RED LAKE, Minn. (AP) — Authorities called off major ground search operations on the Red Lake Indian Reservation on Sunday evening after they turned up no sign of two young brothers who have been missing since they went out to play Wednesday morning.

But FBI Special Agent Paul McCabe stressed that efforts to find 4-year-old Tristan White and 2-year-old Avery Stately are not over, and that investigators will continue to actively work the case.

"We will not stop looking for Tristan and Avery until they are found," McCabe said.

McCabe said there's still no firm evidence of what happened to the boys, leaving it unclear whether they wandered off or were taken.

"We don't have any indication at this time that foul play is involved, but we encourage people to continue to phone in tips if they have any infor-

mation that might lead us to the whereabouts of Tristan and Avery," he said.

Investigators had received around 70 tips as of Sunday and agents are continuing to follow up on those, McCabe said, but added that none of these tips has led to the boys so far.

The FBI last week offered a \$20,000 reward for information that leads to the boys.

The boys, both American Indian, have short brown hair and brown eyes.

Tristan was described as 3-feet-6 and wearing a dark blue Spider-man jacket with yellow trim, Levis jeans and black and gray winter boots.

Avery was described as 2-feet tall and wearing a gray pullover sweat shirt that says "Timberland" on the front, faded Levis jeans and Spider-Man tennis shoes.

While all the possibilities for ground searches have been exhausted, authorities will conduct "limited and pinpoint searches" if new infor-

mation surfaces, he said.

The behind-the-scenes effort to find the boys has been "very intense ...and that will continue. That part of the investigation will not end until the boys are found," he said.

"We will not stop looking for Tristan and Avery until they are found."

—Paul McCabe FBI Special Agent

Tribal Chairman Floyd "Buck" Jourdain Jr. told dozens of people at a post-search gathering Sunday evening that tribal officials would likely meet Monday to "re-strategize" their efforts, which would probably include searching on a much smaller scale.

"I can't say how much I've appreciated you taking the time from your families and your lives to help us try find-

ing these two boys," Jourdain said. "Your efforts were not done in vain. ...It's not over."

McCabe paid tribute to all of the hundreds of trained searchers and volunteers who have been out in the woods of the remote northern Minnesota reservation or searching by air and water almost around the clock since the boys were reported missing Wednesday.

They included people from law enforcement agencies across the state as well as private citizens.

"Their efforts and dedication have been commendable," he said. "Many of them have been here since Thanksgiving Day. ...You can't say enough about how much we appreciate their efforts."

Falling temperatures over the last few days had dimmed hopes that the boys could have survived in the woods.

By Sunday, afternoon temperatures in the area were in the 20s, and there was a chilly wind out of the northwest.

McCabe acknowledged that the searchers were disappointed with the decision

to call off major ground operations.

"They've all been so focused and so dedicated to finding these two children that it's somewhat discouraging for them to have to leave," he said.

Given that many had been searching for four or five days, he said, they were "emotionally vested. They really wanted to find these boys."

Paul Burke, a consultant with the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children who was involved in the search, urged everyone at Sunday evening's meeting to tell authorities if they see or hear anything.

"I gotta tell you, it's going to be hard for me to leave this place," Burke said. "The effort and energy put into this search for these two boys is deserving, and I know that the family appreciates it. Stick together."

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Splenda not so 'sweet' at UMD

By Paul Lawrence
Statesman Staff Reporter

UMD consciously avoids purchasing and serving the controversial artificial sweetener Splenda, which has been the subject of several lawsuits in the past two years, according to UMD food and purchasing personnel.

"The kitchen does not usually use products with artificial sweeteners in it," said kitchen principal manger Kurt Lundquist. The kitchen orders its food through the purchasing department and is in charge of what it serves, according to Lundquist.

Artificial sweeteners have long been under fire from health groups, but Splenda has faced particular scrutiny as of late. In April of this year, Citizens for Health asked the Food and Drug Administration to revoke its approval of Splenda. Attorney James F. Turner, chairman of the board for Citizens for Health, filed a petition with the FDA after learning of "mild to severe gastrointestinal problems in conjunction with Splenda."

"UMD does not put artificial sweeteners in any of the

food it serves," said Claudia Engelmeier, head of purchasing department. "We try to stay with natural ingredients. This is a conscious decision to avoid these products, because it is better for everybody's health."

Engelmeier added that UMD is not mandated by the state as to what food it can and cannot serve.

This is in contrast to a trend occurring among eastern high schools, where schools trade the right to serve whatever they deem appropriate for state funding. The Bristol, Connecticut board of education recently voted overwhelmingly to allow the state to dictate to them what foods are acceptable to serve in exchange for 10 cents a meal, or approxi-



Photo Illustration by Anna Woodwick

mately \$90,000 per year in funding. According to the agreement, artificial sweeteners, including Splenda, will not be allowed.

More destructive, perhaps, to Splenda's claims of being a healthy alternative to sugar, is the lawsuit taking place in Alabama. Attorney Herndon Ige represents residents of Washington County, where the only Splenda plant in the United States operates. The plant "is causing health problems," as well as hurt-

ing property values and lowering quality of life, according to the lawsuit.

These types of suits, along with a sizeable array of anti-Splenda internet sites, have not gone unnoticed here in Duluth.

"I try to avoid Splenda and other artificial sweeteners completely," says UMD voice instructor Cal Metts. "If I am on the verge of getting a soda and choose not to, it is because of the artificial sweeteners it contains."

Some folks at UMD are less opposed to artificial sweeteners.

"I try to eat healthy, but I don't necessarily avoid artificial sweeteners all together," said UMD junior Joe Lofgren. "My dad is a doctor, and he thinks they are ok, but if I read something that says otherwise, I might reconsider."

Tate and Lyle, the makers of Splenda, have adamantly denied its key product is harmful to consumers. A Splenda spokesperson described remarks by critics as "innacuracies being put out there," according to the Splenda website. The Splenda website describes Splenda as "an accessible and effective tool for those who want to reduce added sugar intake, an important step for better overall nutritional health, while still providing sweet taste people desire."

Splenda is still officially approved by the FDA.

"The FDA does extensive testing on products like Splenda. I would say that, like other foods, over consumption is probably not good," said UMD dietician Stephanie Barta. "I try not to take in a lot myself. If a person begins using an artificial sweetener and notices adverse effects, they may want to consider not using it anymore."

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By **Zerleena Khan**
Statesman Staff Reporter

Since the beginning of the school year, underage alcohol consumption, increasing thefts, vandalism and felonious pranks have entered police records.

Since early September, a total of 200 underage consumption tickets have been issued, and 23 people were taken to detox, which is a significant rise from last year's statistic (September-May) of 439 underage tickets being issued as reported by Sgt. Tim LeGarde of the UMD police department.

Parents of highly intoxicated students taken to detox have voiced their concern over the level of alcohol consumption.

The administration of UMD has introduced a policy whereby the family members of the students being provided healthcare are notified of their inebriated condition.

Guns stolen from car

The hunting season crashed for a UMD student who had his firearms stolen from his car in the first week of November.

Upon returning five days later to his parked car on Nov. 10 in lot Q1, he found his rifle, shotgun, hunting jacket and hunting license missing.

The police found no signs of tampering while the victim insisted on locking the car and not mishandling the keys. No suspects have been listed. Immediate action was taken by the UMD police by having the plundered firearms registered in the nationwide computer file of stolen items.

Sgt. LeGarde hopes that they will be recovered at some point.

Students deflate tires

A comparable incident took place the next day in the parking lot where two non-UMD students were issued citations for letting air out of the tires of a parked car. Even after fleeing from the scene, UMD police managed to track them down and had them admit to the crime.

Post used to vandalize

Earlier in the day, a six foot long sign post was thrown into Griggs hall 'S' section causing damage to one of the windows.

Following that, five minutes later within a radius of 100 meters, another signpost was thrown into a truck belonging to a freshman. Luckily, no one was hurt;

however, severe damage has been caused to property. Considering the number of people walking around no suspects were caught.

"Hopefully someone will come forward and tell who did it," said Sgt. LeGarde.

"These costs of repair pass onto tuition and fee increment. And it is mean-spirited to be busting someone's property around."

Extinguishers sprayed

Discharging the fire extinguishers and emptying the gas as a prank has serious repercussions. On three different occasions in Burntside Hall, Oakland Apartments and the 'D' section of Griggs Hall, fire extinguishers were pulled off the wall and dust was sprayed all over the hallway setting alarms off late in the night.

Not only did it cause disturbance, but the fire department arrived only to find it an act of mischief.

"What people don't realize is that it takes a day or more to have the tanks refilled," said Sgt. LeGarde. "In case of real emergency extinguishers would have to be brought from another place or wait for the arrival of the fire department. During this period, people can literally die."

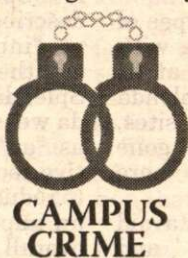
This is a felony and any relevant information is requested to be reported.

Locker theft attempted

In the event of a failed attempt at stealing goods from the men's locker room, the police requests people to be on alert about their personal belongings.

With the season of hockey games and availability of sports facilities, locker rooms are potential theft locations. The case file of a series of locker thefts in the sports center last winter has been kept open by the UMD police.

To report any such cases or suspicious activity call 911.



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them. These ornaments will be available to pick up on Tuesdays at the Newman table outside the bookstore, starting Nov. 28, according to Sarah Bennek and Shantel Schallenkamp, student members of Newman.

The Union Gospel Mission (UGM) in downtown Duluth is a popular place to get involved, according to InterVarsity Student Fellowship and LCM. LCM will be caroling there on the evening of Friday, Dec. 8, and InterVarsity also partners with UGM, as well as Used-a-Bit thrift shop in the inner city of Duluth.

InterVarsity will also have an opportunity to help the less fortunate further away from home over Christmas break at the National Urbana 2006 Missions Conference in St. Louis, said Drew Jensen, a member of InterVarsity.

There are countless oppor-

tunities to help the less fortunate both locally in Duluth and further from home, according to these organizations. However, there are also many ways to get involved individually, through donations to food shelves, clothing and coat drives, Toys for Tots, Operation Christmas Child or volunteering one's time with the UGM or other soup kitchens and homeless shelters, each group said.

"The best way students at UMD can get involved is by getting together a group of friends and looking up service projects online," said Jensen. "Contact that service project and set aside time to go downtown and see a different Duluth than we may normally see. Make it a desire to serve from your heart and not just because you feel you should do it to be a good person, really let yourself care about the poor and needy."

These groups and many others, both on campus and scat-

tered throughout the community, are increasing efforts to aid the less fortunate this holiday season, but the common sentiment among each group is that efforts need to be continued all year round.

"I think it is important to be aware that the need doesn't stop after the holiday season," said Kopp.

To get started, contact any member of LCM, InterVarsity, Newman or SERVE, and they will be happy to help get people involved.

"While there is a strong need for assistance during the holiday season, there is also a significant need throughout the entire year. So don't just stop at the holiday season, spread the spirit all year," said Hultman.

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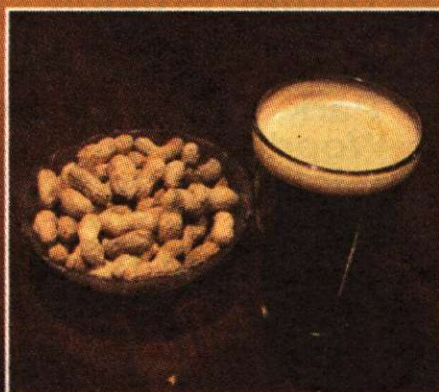
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gressional district expresses his undeniable commitment to America, its principles and its people.

He realizes the seriousness of concerns such as this. He said, however, that he does not consider them personal attacks. Ellison points at his endorsement by several synagogues as proof to his claim that he is a progressive Muslim, who earned the support of the Jewish community through pre-campaign relationships with Jewish leaders.

With a charismatic style that one might attribute to the likes of Barack Obama and Harold Ford Jr., Ellison spoke about the need for students to get involved in American politics. He asks that students get involved "even if (they) have made mistakes in the past."

Wishing he had paid parking tickets in timely fashion as he jokingly replies to questions about campaign strategy he would have handled differently, Ellison advises students interested in politics to discuss and resolve past mistakes with advisors instead of depriving America of what they have got to

offer.

"It is important to own up to mistakes before running for office," he says. "Voters won't like (the mistakes), but they understand that nobody's perfect. They'll expect that you do better next time."

"Any jackass can kick down a barn," said Ellison, discussing his switch from activism to politics. "It takes a carpenter to build one."

He decided to stop complaining about the state of the barn and help build the barn instead.

Admitting he does not have all the answers to the current political situation, Ellison talks of his hopes for the future.

"People recognize that although we are unique, we are fundamentally alike."

The deciding factor, he said, is what leadership has got to offer; "fear and exclusion, or inclusive policies." Stressing that exclusionary politics hinders progress, Ellison said he believes values are worth fighting for. Notwithstanding, he places more emphasis on finding common ground.

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substantial university interest," said Mark Rotenberg, General Counsel for the University.

Some students don't buy such claims. "The idea is good, but the out of it then they should be."

Whyte has had large involvement with the proposed language. Whyte, like other administrators, has used adamant rhetoric about the intent of the off-campus code additions being for very extreme, rare circumstances.

Mr. Whyte didn't argue, however, that the new code could be used in cases of underage drinking parties. In a *Statesman* interview Whyte reiterated a November 17, 2006 *Minnesota Daily* quote in which he said the code could be enforced. "If there was a party where a lot of people who were drinking underage, if that even in and of itself is looked at as being a danger to the people's health and safety."

Mohrbachr and others believe that type of contradiction is evidentiary of the actual application we'll see with a new code.

"I don't like the idea of this because it's so broad," said Andrea Anderson, CEHSP Junior. "It seems as if they will now control our outside life too, and everything revolves around school then I just don't see how these things affect how you are as a student."

Whyte countered that the vagueness is needed to ensure utilization of the code in instances that cannot be forethought. "Our intent is not to use this more than a handful of times per year," said Whyte, "Whoever is in the position of enforcing this would be held responsible in that regard."

Should the proposed code additions pass, which are expected to be voted on in December, they will be left in the hands of administrators for interpretation. As a UMD Faculty member, choosing to remain anonymous due to potential repercussions, said, "I guess it depends on whether you trust the administration to stick to their word."

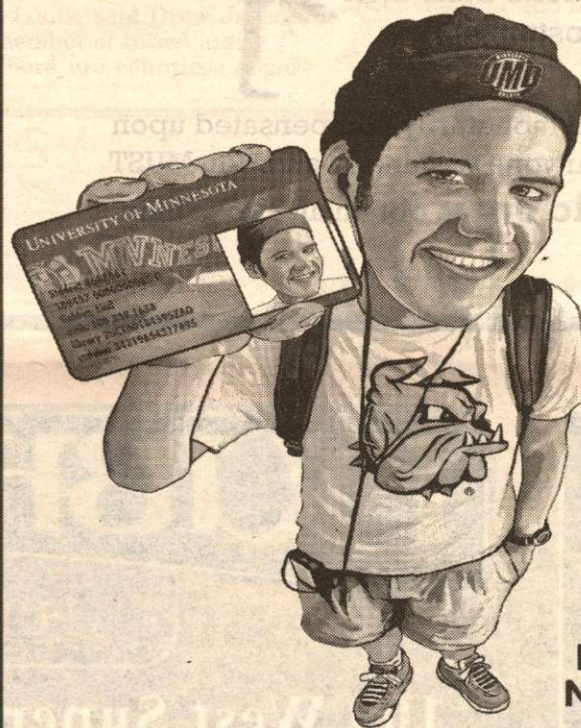
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Our View

In our last issue, *The Statesman* published a story regarding the University's Board of Regents and their plan to extend the jurisdiction of the student conduct code to include off-campus activities. That article stated the expanded jurisdiction would allow the university to punish criminal offenses that occur off-campus.

While the intent of the new conduct code is noble—contact between offenders and victims would be eliminated on-campus—the code itself is deeply flawed.

The use of broad language in the new code allows the university to punish “alleged” off campus conduct “regardless of the existence or outcome of any criminal proceeding.” That means a person wouldn't have to be convicted in court to be punished at school. The implications of such language could affect almost every student on every U of M campus.

The article quoted Nathan Wanderman, Board of Regents student representative for the Twin Cities campus, saying, “This policy isn't going to affect more than 1 percent of the students.” However, about 1 percent of UMD's student population is around 100 students, which is a significant amount. Consequently, the new student conduct code shouldn't just be brushed off because it's only going to affect a small number of students.

The fact that UMD would be able to punish someone even if they were proven innocent in the court system is outrageous. Innocent until proven guilty—except at the U.

Theoretically, a student could lawfully exercise his or her first amendment right to free assembly by participat-

ing in an on-campus protest of some action by the University and soon find him or herself expelled for disruptive behavior, even though they haven't committed a crime.

The main problem with the new code is the incredible discretion it grants the powers-that-be. The language of the proposed new code is so vague that it could be interpreted to mean that the University has the power to punish anyone at anytime (including after graduation) for almost any reason.

There are good intentions behind the changes. One of which is that if a student sexually assaulted another student, the university could step in and make sure they weren't in the same class. Our student representative said the administration doesn't have time to give everyone on campus some sort of punishment for minor offenses such as underage consumption, but where will they draw the line?

The fact that the code leaves that open for debate is ridiculous. If the code is just for major offenses, they need to specify which offenses this applies to. Otherwise, the code leaves too much open to interpretation, risking the rights of students as individuals.

This proposal should not pass. The editorial board is requesting that any member of the Board of Regents that claims to represent the interests of the student body vote against it. The potential for the abuse of power only exists if they have the power.

If the proposal passes it will indicate that the Regents believe their authority should supersede that of the courts and even the Constitution.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Smokers should take responsibility

I am writing in response to Andrew Ebert's letter, “Smoking ban would affect more than just smokers.” Instead of mentioning how the proposed ban would affect non-smokers, the article gives a brief synopsis of the plan and its benefits. The article continues to make note of complaints of smokers failing to adhere to the current ‘self-enforcing’ ban on smoking 25 feet from a building entrance and speaks of more ‘easier, less controversial ways to solve the problem.’

Ebert would have the reader think that the responsibility to follow this ban

falls on non-smokers, stating, “If someone cares, then say something to that person.” Smokers indeed have a right to smoke, but they also bear the responsibility to keep secondhand smoke away from others who choose not to. If, in fact, there are easier, friendlier ways to combat this issue, Ebert's letter failed to mention them, leaving the reader with no more insight than when they began reading.

As a non-smoker, I regularly run the ‘gauntlet’ of individuals smoking immediately outside an entrance, choking my breath as I pass

on a daily basis. I agree with an individual's right to smoke, but any right that imposes itself on others, such as my right to clean air, needs modification. In other words, no rights are absolute. This proposed ban is needed in response to the non-compliance of smokers lighting up near an entrance.

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Class registration causes conflict for student

As a junior who has taken a few extra classes, a couple in high school and one last summer, I figured I'd have an early registration time and finally get all the classes I wanted. Wrong. UMD has a funny little way of screwing me over like that. I even had to switch the focus of my minor this semester because certain classes are only offered in the fall.

I got to register on Friday and was able to fill my schedule with classes I need to get out of this university soon but was forced to rearrange my schedule at least three times because the prelimi-

nary set of classes they had for spring semester kept getting cancelled or changing days. Not to mention the fact that several of the classes I need for my major and minor were going on at the same time. What makes UMD think that scheduling three journalism classes needed for that minor at the same time is a good idea?

I feel bad for people with a late registration time. I remember my first advisor had no advice for me when I walked into her office and said, “Hey all the classes I need are full.” She merely suggested I take some of her

classes, even though I was not eligible for them yet. I had to come up with the idea of getting all of my Lib Ed classes out of the way first, which she admitted was a really good idea.

When all is said and done, I'm glad I only have a couple semesters left at UMD because if I have to spend another solid hour rearranging my schedule because of conflicting class times, I'd rather take up the custodial arts.

Sincerely,
Eric Simon

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OPINION

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Gender roles should be constantly re-evaluated

By Brooke Naland
Statesman Staff Reporter

You know all those action movies, where one of the main characters is a gun-toting, butt-kicking heroine. Some people think that movies like this are empowering for women, but that's crap.

I am not a feminist. And before you attack me or accuse me of thinking women should be beaten-down, repressed slaves subject to their authoritarian husbands, let me explain my views.

Why does it seem that the common consensus is that there is something intrinsically wrong with not being a feminist? How come there is no representation for those who are of this opinion, particularly on liberal campuses like UMD? Why is it that in today's society everyone has to be a man, and to do the things that are typical of the female gender role is so degrading and abhorrent?

All of these beliefs are a product of the gender-abolitionist rubbish that everyone is being fed, day in, day out.

First of all, women are, whether consciously or not, exactly what they're supposed to avoid being in order to achieve the narrow definition of "equality" put forth by the feminists. And that is: emotional, more so than logical, beings.

But with emotion comes many good traits that are being forgotten about in our every-man-for-himself society, such as compassion, understanding and warmth. Aren't these the things that are best for taking care of children?

Everyone seems to think that "equality" has to mean "sameness." But why can't we just accept that there are gender roles, and that women and men aren't the same? Even basic contemporary psychology and com-

munications studies support this idea (Don't believe me? Take a 1000 level psych or communications class, or do some research on your own), so why do we seem to just ignore the fact? And hey, just because we are not the same doesn't mean that we are not equal, and I'm tired of hearing everyone discredit the female role.

What is so wrong with playing a role? We do it all the time, and it's important to know your role. Can you imagine what kind of chaos might arise from people who don't know their role?

What if your house was burning and the firefighters who showed up to put it out decided they didn't want to play the role of firefighter?

Roles are what make things run smoothly, and if no one adhered to any role, there would be no direction, no progress, no cooperation. So why is it so terribly bad for women to play the role of wife, mother, homemaker, when that is what women are best for?

I don't understand why everyone thinks it's such a shameful thing for a woman to stay at home and take care of her children. Especially when nowadays, inflation has occurred due to the introduction of double-income families, so that not only do women get to work, many of them have to work just to make ends meet.

And in the midst of all of this, who is staying at home? No one. These parents often have to take their children to daycare centers, and while some of them are perfectly reasonable, there is no knowing for sure how the day is going to go as soon as you walk your child through that door, walk out and drive away to work. Would you want to put your children in that kind of risk?

And even in the case that a family member is taking care

of your children while you are both at work... wouldn't you want the ability to take care of your own children? In the search for their own "identities," many women (and men as well, I will admit) are selfishly forgetting the importance of the children they brought into this world.

And I'm not saying, necessarily, that no woman should ever work. If someone is good at something, they ought to be able to do it. However, I will say that, in general, it should be much more of a choice between family and career for women.

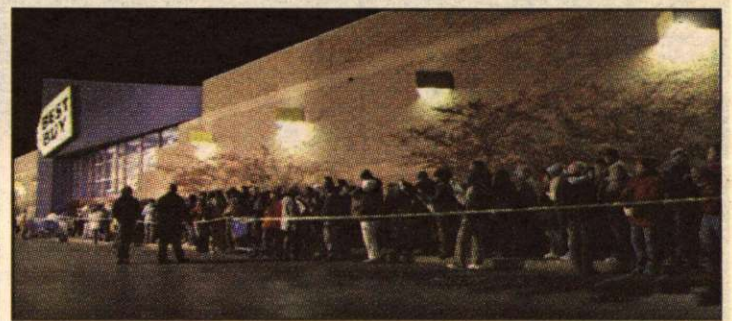
So everyone's talking about "equal rights." Well, what about my right not to be a feminist? What if I want to live in a country where my family can afford for me to stay home and take care of my children, even though I know I myself will probably have to work and get someone to watch my children in order to get by?

The bottom line: stop telling women they have to behave like men to be considered "equal." Stop telling us that we're the same, even when we, whether consciously or not, are treated differently. And stop showing me all these rough-and-ready heroines in the media and expecting me to think that this is a sign of the end of our repression.

Repression is not a thing of the past. It's a thing of the present, where women are taught that to be what they are is bad, and they end up having trouble finding their own identity in a society that expects them to be so many things at once.

Know your role.

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Shoppers line up on Black Friday at Best Buy at 4 a.m. in Ohio. AP Photo

Materialism takes over the Christmas holiday

By Brian Peltier
Statesman Staff Reporter

The holidays can be a dangerous time for shoppers. Sony's newly released Playstation 3 (PS3) will be one of the many hot items this holiday season as consumers rush to purchase the \$600 video game platform. The PS3 has received much media coverage not only for the system but for the brutal attacks some customers have suffered for purchasing the product.

Holidays are no longer non-materialistic, if they ever were. For the average citizen, the holidays seem to consist of buying gifts for others and hoping for gifts in return. It has gotten to the point where we're no longer surprised by the gifts we're given. We already know which ones we're going to receive because we made out a list or went to various websites and added the product to our "wish list."

It doesn't help when companies schedule release dates for their popular products during the holidays. The result of these release dates is many parents, families and friends showing their holiday spirit by waiting in line to buy these products for unreasonably long periods of time, purchasing the products for unreasonable amounts of money and then trying to get them to their cars without being shot, mauled or robbed and have the item sold on

Ebay for double. That's love.

So the holidays are materialistic. Aside from customers attacking fellow customers, I don't mind. Companies make money; kids get presents; girlfriends get expensive dates and flowers; everyone is happy. There's an abundance of food, and the world goes around.

Yes, it's sad that some people don't get presents. It was sad that some kids at school weren't able to get the same presents that their friends were parading around with, but the holidays don't have to be purely materialistic.

Holidays do offer a lot more than just spending money and waiting in line with a bunch of obsessed consumers. There's food, stories and well, board games.

Alright. Maybe you're right; family time is boring. If the only thing to look forward to is going and waiting in line with a bunch of obsessed consumers, at least you can laugh at the guy that bought 40 hand warmers, a Coleman foldout lawn chair fully equipped with cup holders and a foldout leg rest and 30 PC Gamer magazines, so he doesn't get bored while waiting two days for the \$600 PS3 to be released.

Happy holidays everyone. See you in line.

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Arts & Entertainment

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KUMD produces compilation CD

Collection includes songs from artists from all over the country

By Ron Parpart
Statesman Staff Reporter

"The KUMD Sessions: Live from the Music Room #5" features songs recorded in KUMD studios by a collection of artists from all over the country.

The overall sound of the album is a bit on the mellow side, but has no problems keeping things interesting throughout, thanks to the variety of writing styles. This variety is more than likely due to the nature of the recording.

The tracks are live and minimalist, breaking down the songs into only a few instruments. The back of the CD's jewel case boasts the use of "lots of piano, a saxophone, vibes, a string harp, fiddles, mandolins, a banjo and plenty of guitar."

"It really helped me wind down after a stressful day," said senior Clayton Orvik.

The CD starts out with "I Write the Book" as sung by Keri Noble. Her voice has a full, warm sound that sometimes peaks in a hoarse yet melodic expression of her ability to relate to the song's content.

As captivating as it is, it still doesn't take away from the guitar and piano, which provide an oddly uplifting tone to an otherwise melancholy subject.

Alana Davis' "Weight Of the World" starts out with what comes off as an overly

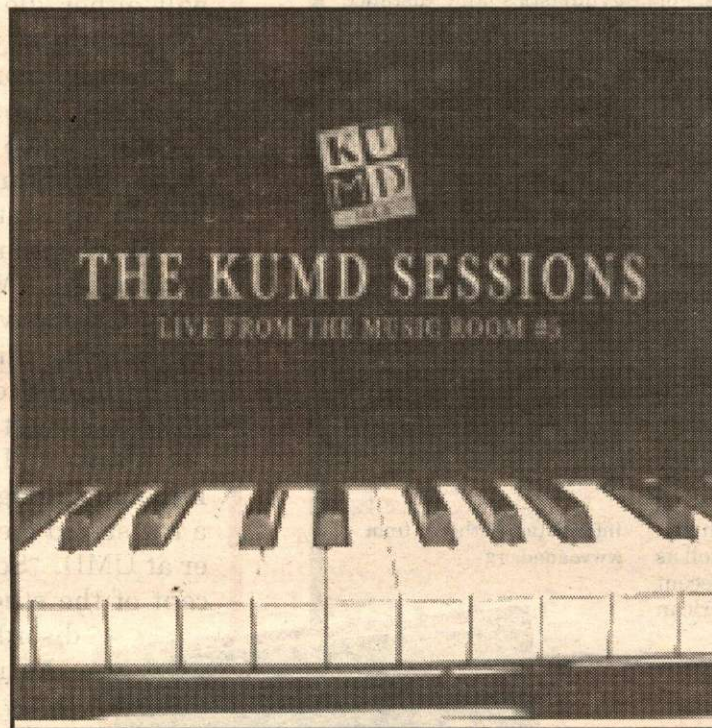


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repetitive rhyme scheme and after the first verse turns around to grab your attention. The overall genuine nature of the subject matter and unique guitar work coupled with her, what could be described as "sultry" voice, round this track out pretty well.

When it comes to songs titled "Duluth," Luke Zimmerman's stand out for sure. It has a deeply folk sound with an almost dark element. Genuinely a haunting

ing track with a warm sound set to lyrics full of a sense of nostalgia.

Cloud Cult makes a haunting appearance on track 15 with "Washed Your Car." Usually a plugged-in band, here we see a simpler version, with heavy acoustic guitar and bass accompaniment that really drives the overall mood of the track.

"Washed Your Car" takes an unforeseen turn half way through, and completely ignores the usual "verse,

- Track Listings**
- 1: Keri Noble - "I Write the Book"
 - 2: Cliff Eberhardt - "The Long Road"
 - 3: Frank Morgan & George Cables - "Blues For a Grand Piano"
 - 4: Alana Davis - "Weight of the World"
 - 5: Tina Schlieske - "Come On In"
 - 6: Scottie Miller - "The Other Side"
 - 7: Joy Kills Sorrow - "I Still Miss Someone"
 - 8: Buddy Mondlock - "Comin' Down in the Rain"
 - 9: Park Stickney - "Remembering the Rain"
 - 10: Ellery - "Arizona"
 - 11: Ann Rabson - "Music Makin' Mama"
 - 12: Mick Sterling - "Blues is My Business"
 - 13: Eric Addington - "Breathe"
 - 14: Randy Sabien - "Things Ain't What They Used to Be"
 - 15: Cloud Cult - "Washed Your Car"
 - 16: Tish Hinijosa - "Siempre Abuelita"
 - 17: Luke Zimmerman - "Duluth"
 - 18: Michael Jonathan - "New Wood"
 - 19: Shag - "Bemsha Swing"
 - 20: Cindy Kallet - "Tide and the River Rising"

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chorus, verse, chorus" order so many other songwriters unfortunately rely on.

Overall, "Live from the Music Room #5" is a good listen and offers a wide variety of styles. With everything from instrumental blues (Frank Morgan & George

Cables' "Blues for a Grand Piano") to personal, infectious tales of rejected love (Cloud Cult's "Washed Your Car"), the CD provides the perfect music to relax to.

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Entertainment Spotlight

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WHO IS AT RISK FOR EATING DISORDERS?

Everyone!

In every race, culture, age group and sex there are people with eating disorders. Yet, in this section Anorexia Nervosa and Associated Disorders (ANAD) identifies the groups who are at a greater risk.

Females

Because of the increased number of media images portraying 'thin and perfect' models, many girls struggle with body image issues that potentially result in eating disorders.

Youth

Early adolescence to early adulthood with 11 and 17 identified as times for increased vulnerability. Perhaps they represent time of change. The 11 year old may be experiencing changes in her body hormonally as she becomes ready to get her periods. Often there is increase in fat in 'all the wrong places' creating anxiety. Perhaps it is even more difficult when the school, in a well meaning attempt to have children be healthy, measure body fat. Of course, there is always the issues of boys and what culture tells about having an attractive body.

The onset of eating disorders can occur at any age, and the age of onset

does appear to be getting younger.

Eating disorders can occur at any time and certainly reports of adult onset and individuals at 70 years of age have been reported.

Males

Increasing we are becoming more aware of eating disorders in males. For adults, the approximate ratio of men to women is 1:10. About 20-30 percent of younger anorexics are male. We probably are not identifying the disorder because of the stereotyping that this is a female illness. There are probably as many bulimic men than there are anorexic women.

Minorities:

Once considered an illness of affluent white females, the picture has dramatically changed. In the U.S., eating disorders appear to be as common among Hispanic as well as Caucasian women. Recent focus of African American

women indicates that it is more common than expected. Black women are prone more to bulimia nervosa and abuse of laxatives. There appears to be an overall increase in other countries.

Athletes

Women participating in certain sports such as gymnastics and distance running are especially vulnerable. Men involved in wrestling are often at risk as they attempt to make weight.

Genetics

Evidence is pointing to the fact that there is a strong genetic component to the illness. There also seems to be some sort of relationship between eating disorders and substance abuse, affective disorders (depression and bipolar) and anxiety disorders.

Information gathered from www.anad.org

The need to be thin

ways to prevent, recognize and cope with eating disorders

By Ted Norgaard
Statesman Staff Reporter

One in 10 people suffering from anorexia will either die from starvation, medical complications (primarily heart attacks) or suicide, according to the American Psychological Association.

A startling 95 percent of people with eating disorders are between the ages of 12 and 25, as stated in a 2004 new release by the National Eating Disorder Screening Program. Whether it's anorexia, bulimia, compulsive eating disorder or body dysmorphic disorder, eating disorders affect the lives of UMD students and could potentially cost them it.

"I think UMD is pretty close to the national average," said Charlene Harkins, a registered dietitian and nutrition teacher at UMD. "Somewhere between 2-6 percent of the student body is affected with disordered eating behaviors."

Eating disorders are a disastrous mixture of control and a complete lack thereof.

"They're never about food," said Harkins. "They're always about something else."

The something else she is referring to are psychological problems such as depression, anxiety and substance abuse, which are commonly associated with eating disorders.

UMD has a variety of resources to help students suffering from disordered eating.

"There are a lot of really available people here at UMD," said Shelly DeCaigny, Health Educator at UMD. "We have the medical staff here at Health Services; we have the counseling staff and a dietitian. They're going to help you whether you are sick or well."

Research indicates that eating disorders are one of the psychological problems that

is least likely to be treated, according to the National Institute of Mental Health.

"People do things to purge that embarrass them," said Jean Thoennes, a counselor at UMD Health Services. "Other people find it disgusting, so they don't talk about it. They get very good at hiding it."

On top of that, the longer someone has an eating disorder, the more difficult it becomes to treat. Health Services combines the efforts of the three resources mentioned above forming a three-pronged approach to help students combat it. First, the patient is medically evaluated.

"We need to be able to make a decision if they are healthy enough to be treated on an outpatient basis," said Thoennes. "It may be someone who needs to be in a hospital, some always have the medical people come in first."

The next step involves counseling sessions that help address the psychological problems that aid eating disorders.

"A lot of people that are struggling with eating disorders think that their not the problem but the solution," said Thoennes. "If that's what you're holding on to — to have some control, it's pretty scary to let go of."

Under certain circumstances medications are prescribed to help the patient cope with depression or anxiety. Lastly, the patient meets with a dietitian who can better explain what type of diet is needed to maintain a healthy life.

"People that have eating disorders have a very distorted belief about what healthy eating is," Thoennes said.

Stress is also a contributing factor towards the formation of eating disorders.

"College women between the ages of 18 and 22 have significantly high rates of bulimia," said Thoennes. "It's more prevalent in college students than it is with those that aren't in school. It has to do with the stress of being in school."

Traditionally, eating disorders have been

thought of as a women's disease, a concept which may soon change.

"We're seeing more and more men struggling with eating disorders," said Thoennes. "It's not just a disease for women anymore."

Losing weight isn't always a bad thing when trying to maintain a healthy body. However, before starting to diet or exercise, one must ask why do I want to lose weight?

"People think that losing weight is going to change their whole lives," said Thoennes. "But all they're going to do is lose weight."

If you do decide to lose weight, Harkins advises a healthy diet and moderate exercise.

"The healthiest way to lose weight is moderate restriction in calorie intake, a good basic healthy diet and physical activity that's moderate," said Harkins. "You don't have to be intense, just walking 20 to 30 minutes a day will do."

The Food and Drug Administration has no control over herbal weight loss supplements, a policy that Harkins described as a problem. When it comes to over the counter diet pills, she is skeptical.

"Most over the counter products that actually caused weight loss have now been removed from the market," said Harkins. "There aren't any drugs out there that cause you to lose weight. The only things that are available now are appetite suppressants. They don't cause you to lose weight; they just make it so you don't have an appetite."

Medical Complications

Mouth:

enamel erosion, loss of teeth, Gum disease, "Chipmunk cheeks"—swollen salivary glands from vomiting, sore throat because of induced vomiting

Cardiovascular (Heart):

slow irregular pulse, low blood pressure, dizziness or faintness, shortness of breath, chest pain
Decreased potassium levels may result in life threatening cardiac arrhythmias or arrest. Electrolyte imbalances may lead to life threatening cardiac arrhythmias or arrest.

Stomach:

stomach may swell following eating or bingeing (causes discomfort and bloating), Gastric rupture due to severe binge eating (gastric rupture has an 80 percent fatality rate), vomiting causes severe electrolyte imbalance which can lead to sudden cardiac arrest.

Intestines:

Normal movement in intestinal tract often slows down with very restricted eating and severe weight loss, frequent Constipation and chronic irregular bowel movements

Death Rates:

Young women that have anorexia nervosa are 12 times more likely to die than other women her age without anorexia. Anorexia has the highest mortality rate of all mental disorders. The mortality rate is about 5 percent for each decade and increases up to 20 percent for patients that have the illness for more than 20 years.

Self-Evaluation Quiz

- Are you constantly thinking about your weight and food?
- Are you dieting strictly and/or have you lost a lot of weight?
- Are you more than 10 percent below your healthy weight?
- Are people concerned about your weight?
- Is your energy level down?
- Do you constantly feel cold?
- Are your periods abnormal or have your periods stopped?
- Are you overeating and feeling out of control?
- Are you vomiting, using laxatives or water pills, herbal agents or trying to fast as a way to control your weight?
- Are you over exercising or do others consider your exercise excessive?
- Does your weight drastically fluctuate?
- Do any of the above interfere with your enjoyment of life, relationships or everyday functioning?

Note: This quiz is not intended to diagnose an eating disorder. It is simply designed to indicate that a person may be thinking too much about food, weight, etc. or engaging in potentially eating disordered behaviors.

If you answered yes to more than five of these questions, we would encourage you to get a professional evaluation. Please contact ANAD (847-831-3438 or anad20@aol.com) for a list of professionals and support groups in your area.

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The hardest hard-on to have

College students and their experimentation with sexual stimulants

Sex in the UniverCity

by Mary Callahan

A man's best friend is not his dog, it's his penis, especially an erect one.

When their little guy can't perform the way that they intended, it can be disappointing for both the guy and his partner. So what is a man to do? Advertisements with spokesperson Bob Dole have us believing erectile enhancers such as Viagra seem like the most viable solution for a case like this. Although erectile dysfunction is often joked about and snickered at, it's still a serious medical condition, no matter how old you are.

For men, the inability to get or sustain an erection

usually leads to all kinds of performance anxiety and self-esteem issues. However, prescriptions such as Viagra, Levitra or Cialis can help stimulate almost any sexual activity. Before these drugs came along, men were dependent on things such as penile implants, penile injections, vacuum pumping and even putting a suppository into the urethra. What guy wouldn't want a pill that gives you the ability to have an erection that can last for hours?

Think again. The recreational use of erectile dysfunction medication can lead to serious complications and puts your health at risk. Drug task force agents report that they routinely discover Viagra in the possession of college guys who don't have erection problems — or even a prescription for the drug according to an article on The Body: The Complete HIV/AIDS resource website.

College kids often use marijuana or ecstasy to enhance experiences, but Viagra is also more common, than many believe.

A recent article on ISD-news.com showed that studies conducted by the Chicago Children's Memorial Hospital show that one out of every 18 college-aged men have used a sexual enhancement drug. It also said that 64 percent of men that use it recreationally are mixing it with other drugs. Students who use Viagra are also more likely to not use protection when they have sex, leading to other health issues such as STDs.

This same study found that most of these students are mixing sexual enhancement drugs with other drugs that weaken the ability to perform sexually such as alcohol, cocaine and ecstasy. These are all drugs that increase a sexual drive and reduce your inhibitions, but

weaken your ability to actually perform. This is most likely why a drug like Viagra is depended upon for adding excitement in the sack.

Viagra is a prescription drug, but it's commonly purchased over the internet and costs about \$10 per pill. Some of these sites make it so that it can even be Fed Exed to you overnight for your pleasure needs.

"I went to a website that let me get a free sample before I bought it, just as a joke at first," said a senior male. "I learned that all the rumors about Viagra were true. First I was pumped because I had a boner for like 5 hours, but then I got frustrated because after sex nothing was making it go away, and then it started to hurt!"

It is important to consult with your doctor before using any sort of erectile dysfunction medication, especially if you already take another medication. This can lead to

complications of the heart and low blood pressure. People that have circulatory or heart problems should also veer away from Viagra.

Improper use can be upsetting for your below the belt region and sometimes even painful.

"I took it because my girlfriend made me feel like I needed to," said a senior male. "I didn't think that it would actually make me go to the emergency room. I wasn't having a health problem or anything, but it was causing so much pain in my penis I didn't know what else to do."

When prescription drugs state "use with caution," they mean it. Although Viagra may make you feel more like a man, it's not worth all the pain for your pleasure.

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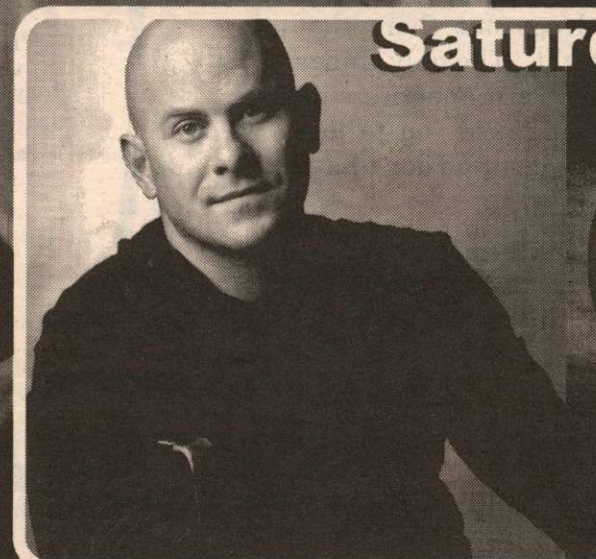
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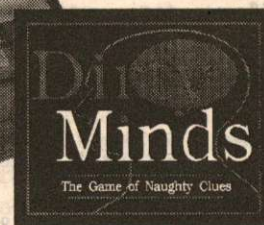
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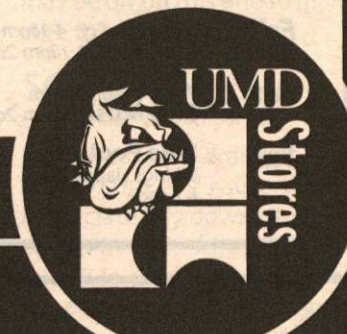
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Students 'SERVE' Christmas spirit

By Lisa Kunkel
Statesman Staff Reporter

'Tis the season of giving and this Christmas season Students Engaged in Rewarding Volunteer Experiences (SERVE) would like everyone to help less fortunate children's wishes come true by donating to the Young Parent Program.

The Young Parent Program is offered through Lutheran Social Services. This program assists families within the community with parenting skills while providing them with support in obtaining their goals such as employment, housing and education. These families face challenges such as mental health issues, poverty, single parenting and other negative experiences such as neglect or drug abuse.

"This is the first year that SERVE has had the privilege of assisting the Young Parent Program by putting together a Christmas celebration for them," said SERVE member and Young Parent Program volunteer Kelsey Hultman.

Maggie Kazel, the Young Parent Program coordinator, said that over the years, the

UMD Auxiliary Services has been doing a great job sponsoring the event and this year SERVE has been asked to take over.

"I saw this as a great opportunity for SERVE to help out the community this holiday season, and I volunteered SERVE to take on the program," said Kazel. "The Young Parent Program has been offering a Christmas program ever since it began in the mid-80s."

SERVE, with the help of other organizations on campus and the community, would like to see these families have a memorable Christmas.

"There are currently about 10 families involved in the Young Parent Program, and within those families, there are about 16 children," said Hultman.

This event is welcoming the assistance of all organizations on campus as well as any students who are willing to help. All students are encouraged to participate by either a cash donation or by purchasing a gift.

"Each family member has a wish list," said Hultman.

These wish lists include four gifts they would like to

receive, ranging anywhere from laundry detergent to toys for the children.

"We would like to provide each child with at least one learning toy, such as Leap-Frog toys and another item from their wish list," said Hultman. "For the parents, we would like to provide a Target gift card and also an item from their wish list."

Though the young children are often the most targeted for gifts, it's important to remember each member of the family.

"With low income families, it is important that the children have learning toys," said Kazel.

SERVE is also putting together stockings for the families which will contain a number of different items such as disposable cameras, fleece blankets and razors.

"We would also like to provide families with baskets containing fruits, juices and various bakery items for Christmas morning," said Hultman.

Kazel said that SERVE will be giving the gifts to the families on Dec. 20 at the Gloria Day Church when they host a Christmas celebration, which will include

a dinner provided by Olive Garden.

"SERVE has set aside funding for this event, but in order to make this the best event possible and meet all of our goals for the event, we will need the helping hands of many others," said Hultman.

So far, only campus organizations have been contacted through e-mail about the event. However, SERVE would like all students and faculty to be aware of this event and help out.

"We are planning on tabling with a giving tree that students can pick an ornament off of that states the age of the child and an item on their wish list," said Hultman. "Whatever any student or organization is able to give is absolutely wonderful, and it will greatly benefit these families and strengthen UMD's ties to the community."

Students can keep an eye out for the giving tree in Kirby Plaza outside the bookstore.

"I have been amazed by the support that I have seen from UMD and the community to assist these families and help support this extremely ben-

eficial program," said Hultman.

SERVE would like to thank all those who have already contributed to the program's success.

"There are still many families in need of a sponsor. Any contribution, no matter how small it may seem, is greatly appreciated and will benefit these families immensely," said Hultman.

The Young Parent Program is also looking for interns to help with the program.

If students or faculty are interested in helping with the Young Parent Program's Christmas celebration in any way, either by donations or by sponsoring a child or family, please contact SERVE at 763-245-1849 or by e-mail at serve@d.umn.edu, or stop by the Multicultural Center in 270A.

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Horoscope

By Stefanie Morrison
Statesman Staff Reporter

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November 23 - December 22

You can't control everything that happens to you, but you can control how you deal with the hand you're dealt. Lately things have been happening that you have always dreaded—now that they have to try and learn from them.

capricorn

December 23 - January 19

Don't let anything stop you from fulfilling a dream; not your family, money or your fears. You know in your heart what you want and need, so go for it, regardless of the cost.

aquarius

January 20 - February 19

Thanksgiving break is over and you need to start acting like it. The semester is coming to a close and you need to get back on schedule. Use the rest of this week to catch up.

pisces

February 20 - March 20

Your living situation, work and/or school can have a huge impact on your attitude, but you do not have to let those aspects of your life control you anymore. There is more to you and more to life than that.

aries

March 21 - April 20

Quality is better than quantity. The amount of friendships you have is not what matters; it's the depth that counts. Start to appreciate and make more time for what you have.

taurus

April 21 - May 21

There's something extra enchanting about you this week, something that will catch more than one person's eye. Have fun meeting these interesting individuals—a new experience will come from an encounter.

gemini

May 22 - June 22

Your mischievous side comes out this week and you'll have more fun than you've had all semester. You will be the 'pick-me-up' your stressed friends have been looking for.

cancer

June 23 - July 23

You're starting to anticipate winter break and should slow down, it will come soon enough. You will need the time that's left to get things figured out and on track. Take things one day at a time.

leo

July 24 - August 23

Complaints are sounding everywhere you turn—block them out. Negative energy will only stress you out more and slow you down. Stop dwelling on the problems of others.

virgo

August 24 - September 23

The best therapy when you are down is laying low with a friend. It's relaxing and rejuvenating, not to mention how good you'll feel when you realize you are not the only one feeling less than satisfactory.

libra

September 24 - October 23

Take advantage of an upcoming opportunity. It will lead you down an interesting path that could change your life in a drastic way. Your instincts may be off on this one so make sure to use your head.

scorpio

October 24 - November 22

Last weekend drained your energy and will cause you to appreciate any down time you can fit in your schedule. Soon family is going to play an extra positive role in an aspect of your life and will cause you to find a new appreciation for them.


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Answer to Sudoku

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4	7	5	8	1	3	2	6	9
5	4	7	2	6	1	9	3	8
1	6	3	4	8	9	7	2	5
2	9	8	5	3	7	4	1	6
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#Humor

Mastication, your duty to man

By Tyler Domaas
Statesman Staff Writer

Students, teachers, friends, a new war is coming. It is creeping below everyone's radar, and almost no one realizes it. But I, after many hours of googling, have finally discovered what is threatening life as we know it.

Have you noticed lately how a lot of the food we tend to eat is of a liquid state. For example, you have your soups, your oatmeal, your random microwavable slops that you can buy. Now in an average mind, one may see this as normal, as if nothing is wrong. But I see something different, something dangerous.

Stick with me on this theory, what if one were to change most of the world's

food into a liquid form? Then everyone would just swallow their food and be done. Now pretend this goes on for years. Then one day, someone changes all the food back to a solid form. Again, no one sees any harm, that is until people start choking on their food because they forgot how to chew!

Just think, with everyone choking on their food, an evil could easily rise to power and take over the world. People would rush to this savior, begging to be saved.

Well, there is a way to defend against such an enemy. Our path to victory will be through the art of mastication. Mastication is defined as grinding or crushing food with your teeth and is our only hope.

Five groups have risen



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and taken charge in this war against the liquid foods. They are each unique in

their own way.

The first group is known as "The Extreme Masticators." These are the people that you always see masticating in the bathroom, or in their bed, or even the shower.

The next group has been given the name "The Constant Masticators." These people need to be constantly masticating. They are often surrounded by food, and they seem to only feel awkward when they aren't masticating.

"The Sure-shot Masticators" are the next group. The Sure-shots never miss a time to masticate. They masticate every single breakfast, lunch and dinner.

"The Lone Masticators" feel self-conscious masticating in front of others. They

always feel as though people are watching them, criticizing them, judging them. They tend to have problems accepting the fact that they do masticate and may sometimes lie, telling others that they don't. They only truly feel comfortable when they are masticating alone.

The final breed are "The Aggressive Masticators." These people masticate loudly and aggressively. Their mastication technique is rough and intense. They are usually quick to finish and often make sounds of pleasure in the process.

People, if we all join one of these masticating groups, we can win this war. Unite, and masticate together.

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Meet...the end of the semester

By Eric Simon
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Ha ha. You knew I was coming, but you didn't want to think about it. Soon you'll have four papers due one week and two final projects due the next. Not to mention finals looming in the shadows ready to stab you with questions you've forgotten the answers to weeks ago. Nothing says revenge quite like a cumulative final.

You'll spend hours trying to study, write and read, but we both know you'll end up checking your e-mail at least

20 times and then probably just download some porn.

Your friends will call you saying there's a huge party tonight and that cute boy/girl you like is going to be there, but you can't go because I'm all up in your face with a final from a professor whom you're not even sure speaks English.

Oh, and you might actually want to think about cracking open that science book you shoved out \$125 for so you can say you got some use out of it. And yes, I have trained all the professors to have papers due the

same day.

And don't forget the holidays are just around the corner, and with your budget you'll have to get up for Black Friday and spend the rest of the day passed out on the couch instead of researching the great poets of 1836 like you should.

Welcome to hell, I'm the end of the semester, and you'll most likely die of stress before I'm over.

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TOPTEN Reasons to Wear Argyle Socks

By Amy Forsell
Statesman Staff Writer

10. Feet are under-appreciated and deserve a little bling once in awhile.
9. You wore white socks once, and now they're permanently brown on the bottoms, making you look nasty.
8. Argyle sounds like gargoyles, and there was a show called "Gargoyles," which I never watched; at any rate, gargoyles are happenin'.
7. Wearing socks with patterns takes you back to second grade, and damnit, don't we all miss second grade?
6. I'm pretty sure Stephen Hawking wears them.
5. Argyle socks do not come in packs of six because they don't need a gang to achieve respect.
4. If you forget what kind of socks you're wearing, it will be a fun surprise to see all the pretty colors.
3. If you ever become a wealthy entrepreneur, you'll be able to kick back in your library, smoke your little pipe and rest your argyle-socked feet pimp style.
2. There's something about wearing argyle socks that makes a person smarter... and able to fly like Superman.
1. The ladies love them. I'm a lady. I love them. And that pretty much covers that point.

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puzzles

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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8 Accountant (abbr.)
12 Amalekite king
13 Individual retirement acct. (abbr.)
14 Mule
15 Phil. island
17 Impair
18 Camel hair cloth
19 Kind
21 Recommended daily allowance (abbr.)
22 Punjab inhabitant
23 Yahi tribe survivor
25 Lt. marble
29 Devil
32 Jewish month
33 With (pref.)
35 Ten (pref.)
36 Eagle's nest

- 38 Splendor
40 Gael
42 Eth. prince
43 Her Royal Highness (abbr.)
45 Cataract
47 Honey-eater bird
50 Birth a lamb
52 Dance company
54 Alleviate
55 Son of, in Arabic names
56 Byron poem
57 Corner
58 Shelter
59 Seed coat

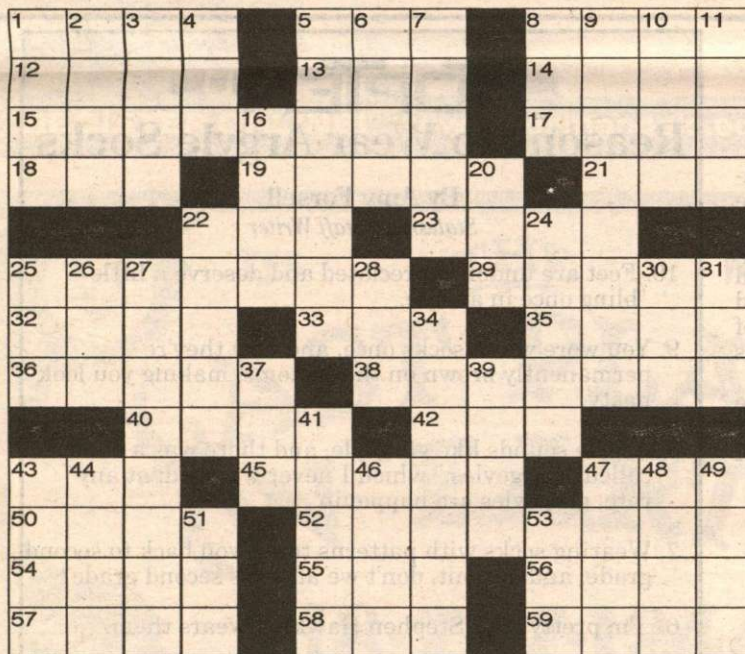
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3 Sayings (suf.)
4 Signed (abbr.)
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10 Ribbed fabric
11 Theme: music
16 Bedouin headband cord
20 Noun-forming

- 22 Pretty (Fr.)
24 Hell
25 Council for Econ. Advisors (abbr.)
26 Island (Fr.)
27 Buy
28 Name (Fr.)
30 Perform
31 But also
34 Naut. line
37 Sprite
39 Swiss card game
41 Dravidian language
43 Rain (pref.)
44 Raise
46 Leaf division
47 Jewish month
48 Air (pref.)
49 Elliptical
51 Maiden name lead-in
53 Guido's note (2 words)



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Outdoors

Thursday, November 30, 2006

Arctic explorer travels for global warming awareness

By Brandon Keinath
Statesman Staff Reporter

Lonnie Dupre is a man whose Arctic career has spanned over 17 years and over 13,000 miles. Dupre recently came by way of grant to UMD to speak about his various quests into the frigid wilds and the effects of climate change in them.

His curiosity about the Arctic began at a young age with the startling revelation that Pelican Lake was not as far north as north went. In fact, it continued for hundreds of miles more. Even more astonishing to Dupre was that people not only lived in these frigid environments but had actually been thriving for a number of years. Eventually Dupre went on to learn as much as possible about these native people and their way of life.

Dupre has been a part of six major arctic expeditions, five as the leader.

In May of 1997, Dupre and John Hoelscher became the first men to circumnavigate Greenland's coast. Combining the use of sea kayaks in the south and dog-sleds in the north, the two men covered over 6,500 miles in their journey. They used the same dogs for their sled teams that the Inuit used.

"These dogs are as close to wild as you can get," said Dupre. The Inuit used them to keep Polar bears at

bay."

The expedition gave Dupre a chance to talk with native people about how global climate change was affecting their lives.

Following the Greenland expedition, Dupre wanted again to bring attention to the seriousness of global climate change by attempting the first ever summer expedition to the North Pole. To prepare for the journey he and his team trained with truck tires.

"We'd start with one and then finally graduated to three tires and five miles... It was hard to strap yourself in at 7 in the morning," said Dupre.

Once the expedition was under way in May of 2005, one of the most challenging aspects was dealing with ocean currents. Much of the ground they had gained during the day was lost at night while they slept. It was estimated that for the 150 miles they had walked it had actually been only 31.

Other challenges included Polar bears, of which there were five encounters, and the sheer blinding aspects of their trek. Sadly, the expedition had to be called off due to vast expanses of water from the ice cracking three weeks earlier than average.

Not to be stopped, Dupre once again gathered the necessary funding and planned another attempt for



Polar bears, like these cubs and mother, face extinction due to global warming.

May of 2006. Once again, the drift of the ice caused serious problems.

Skis were the fastest method of movement across the landscape, but occasionally the snow was too deep and required the use of snow-shoes. Other times the group had to don dry-suits to break the thin ice and allow themselves the water to paddle their canoe in.

On the last day of their expedition, a Polar bear showed up, and Dupre noted how fitting that was.

"One of our main goals was to high-

light how if the glacial ice melts these animals will go extinct," said Dupre. "They depend on the ice to hunt for seals."

In total, the adventure took 60 days. Upon reaching the pole Dupre described the feeling as the biggest emotional let-down of his life.

"It looked exactly like the rest of the trip," said Dupre. "The whole thing had been such an emotional roller coaster... I just wanted some ribs."

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When hunting the wily whitetail, there's always a surprise

By Eric Senst
Statesman Staff Reporter

If Forrest Gump were a deer hunter, I'm sure his mother would have told him that hunting is like a box of chocolates; you never know what you're gonna get.

Brian Huckleberry of Rochester recently had a peculiar incident while deer hunting this season. After wounding an 8-pointer, he was forced to do some tracking.

"I followed the deer through numerous fields and woods until he finally bedded down in some tall grass," said Huckleberry.

Brian left the deer and returned with his uncle.

"I came up on the deer and shot him again."

The deer was still quite lively; so much so, that it had the power to push itself to a nearby fence as well as cross it. Even worse,

the fence was surrounding a graveyard, where Huckleberry was compelled to put the finishing touches on the deer.

"The worst part was, we couldn't field dress the deer on somebody's grave, so we had to drag it about 500 yards and over a fence before we could gut it," said Huckleberry.

A seasoned veteran of hunting and Iowa native who goes by the name of "Denny" witnessed first-hand how a simple day of hunting can take an incredible twist. Denny was hunting a field from a concealed ground blind with his muzzleloader when a nice doe presented an easy shot.

"I dropped her with one shot," he said. "I was on my way out of the blind when she suddenly sprung back to life."

The deer was apparently far from dead. It tried limping its way back into the woods when Denny cut it off.

"I didn't have my knife, and my muzzleloader was 200 yards away in the blind." Denny couldn't leave for his gun in fear of the deer escaping down a steep ravine.

"The only thing I could think of was step-

ping on its throat," he said. "The next thing I know, the son-of-a-bitch jumps up and runs away like nothing ever happened."

Denny and his crew searched for hours, but no recovery was ever made.

Brad Reed, a UMD senior, was hunting in his stand near a field edge in Southern Minnesota. Operating under the terms of "it's brown; it's down," he was going to shoot the first deer that presented a shot.

"I was eating Starburst when suddenly there was a deer 20 feet away," said Reed. "I had to put my snacking on hold, so I could pick up my shotgun."

The deer walked directly under his stand and eventually offered a broadside shot.

"I made a real good shot, hitting the big doe directly in the vital area," said Reed.

He followed the heavy blood trail when it inexplicably ended about 100 yards away. He was stunned to find no deer at the end of the trail. The deer had mysteriously disappeared. No recovery was ever made.

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Sounds of the Season Celebration; UMD Classical music ensembles present Pinkham's "Christmas Cantata," and other favorite holiday music. Weber Music Hall, \$6/\$5/\$3. All seats reserved. Advance purchase recommended.

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JOURNEY JARGONS

January 22 - "China" - Rafters. Travel with Jane Maddy and her grandchildren through Beijing, Xian, Shang Hai and Hong Kong. This trip also included a three-day cruise on the Yangtze River. Jane's favorite city was Guilin, the "fantastic dreamland."

February 5 - "Africa" - Rafters. Sharon Kemp visited Northern Ghana in West Africa in 2004 to study native culture, especially concerning slavery past and present, and the peoples' behavior toward it. She witnessed spiritual ceremonies which have been performed for ages, some of which involved voodoo.

February 26 - "Umeå Sweden" - KPlz 311. Mary Dragich lived in Umeå, Sweden for nine months. She and her husband also spent time in Stockholm, Dalarna, and Lapland. Photographs will include the countryside, folk school, and architecture.

LECTURES

January 29 - "Merritt v. John D. Rockefeller" - Rafters. Grant Merritt, grandson of Alfred Merritt, co-discoverer of iron on the Mesabi Range, will relate a series of events that led to the Merritt's landmark lawsuit against John D. Rockefeller. In what is arguably the most sensational court case in St. Louis County, the Merritt brothers lost their case and surrendered their holdings in six mining and iron companies. Grant Merritt, a UMD graduate, is a Twin Cities attorney and the former head of the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency.

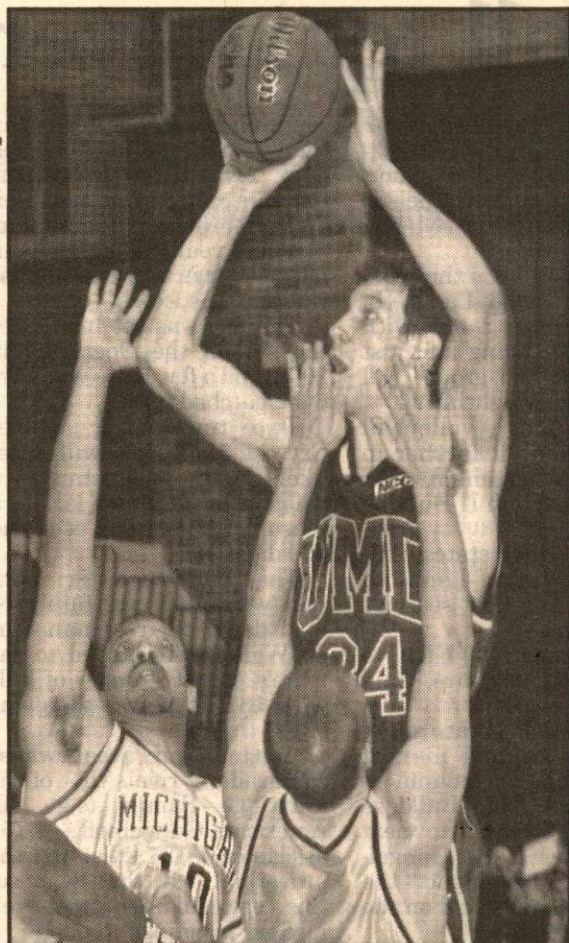
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Bryan Foss (24) pulls up on a jump shot over two Michigan Tech defenders. Foss earned co-MVP recognition in the tournament this past weekend.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

The Bulldogs out shot their way to a victory last Saturday night over the Michigan Tech Huskies in the Romano Gymnasium.

Bryan Foss scored a game-high 26 points in front of the home crowd, shooting .500 from the field and going 10-11 on the foul line.

UMD was able to take advantage of their depth, scoring 17 points off the bench while the Huskies were only able to muster four points from their bench.

Even after being out scored in the second half, the Bulldogs were able to come away with a 80-76 victory over Michigan Tech.

The Bulldogs (5-1) will play their next game away against Colorado State University-Pueblo on Dec. 1 at 9 p.m. at the Colorado Pueblo tournament.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

The women's basketball team trampled over Northern Michigan University (NMU) 62-45 in the Romano Gymnasium last Saturday night.

UMD was able to break away from a four game habit of close games last Saturday night out scoring their opponent by 34 points in the second half.

Katie Winkelman led the Bulldogs with 21 points followed by Justine Axtell with 10 points. Alissa Pauly led the team in assists with 10.

UMD was able to take advantage of NMU's turnovers, scoring 16 points off turnovers in the first half and 10 more in the second half.

The Bulldogs, now 3-2, will travel to Pueblo, Colo. Friday for the Colorado Pueblo Tournament. UMD will square off against New Mexico Highlands in the first round of the tournament at 2 p.m.

MEN'S HOCKEY

The Bulldogs lost two games to St. Cloud State University (SCSU) Huskies over the weekend bringing their overall record to 3-7-3 and 1-7-2 in conference play.

Friday night the Bulldogs were unable to get the puck in the net even with 31 shots on goal.

The Huskies scored two goals in the second and third period leading them to a 4-0 victory.

Saturday night the Bulldogs saw some light but were unable to come back from a two goal setback in a 4-2 loss.

The Huskies struck first with two goals in the second period. UMD was able to answer back with a goal from Mitch Ryan.

SCSU was able to put two more goals past Alex Stalock, while Jeff McFarland was able to put a puck past the Huskies goaltender. Giving the Huskies a 4-2 win.

The Bulldogs are set to go on the road Friday and Saturday night against University of Alaska Anchorage.

Bulldog Rundown



WOMEN'S HOCKEY

Friday night the Bulldogs beat No. 1-ranked University of Wisconsin-Madison on the road 2-0.

Jessica Koizumi scored in the second period followed by a goal by Karine Demuele to give the Bulldogs the lead that they were able to hold onto for the rest of the game.

The win for the Bulldogs ended a 26 game unbeaten streak for the Badgers.

On Saturday night, the Bulldogs weren't able to produce the same amount of offense that won them the game on Friday.

The Badgers downed the Bulldogs 1-0. The Bulldogs were out shot 33-11.

A unique scoring opportunity came in the first period when Michaela Lanzl took a penalty shot that was saved by the Badgers goaltender.

The women will go on the road to play a two game series against Harvard this Friday and Saturday night.

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the last four teams on that list heading into Monday was 17-26, so there is reason for optimism.

But the Vikings still have a lot to work on if they are to make a serious run at the playoffs. The pass defense and pass rush has to improve as more and more teams simply refuse to run the ball against their stellar defensive front.

They also have to find a way to harness the productive offense that took the field against Arizona on Sunday and avoid the mistake-prone, points-starved unit that languished during the team's recent four-game losing streak.

Coach Brad Childress, of course, is preaching the time-honored cliché of one game at a time. The last time the Vikings met Chicago, they had the Bears on the ropes until a botched handoff from Brad Johnson to Chester Taylor set up a late touchdown.

"That was like two months ago," Winfield said. "We can't look at that. They're a different team. We're a different team."

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for UMD.

"Playing for UMD is awesome," said Tuominen. "It's greater than I even thought it would be."

UMD is the best team she has ever played for, she said.

"We have a great coaching staff too," said Tuominen.

Tuominen has learned much from playing in the Olympics.

"I learned that if you want to achieve something great, you have to work harder as a team and as an individual," said Tuominen. "Women's hockey is so competitive today, and I learned how to play under that pressure."

Regardless of their backgrounds, these student athletes look forward to their career at UMD and their future Olympic games.

"All in all, it is a great feeling, and it is something I will never ever forget," said Lanzl.

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UMD produces best volleyball team ever

By Pete Carpenter
Statesman Staff Reporter

Camaraderie is defined as a feeling of close friendship and trust among a particular group of people. It is the facet of sports that makes teams work like a well-oiled machine. Or, like the 2006 UMD volleyball team.

"The team chemistry is the best it's ever been," said senior, middle hitter Rachel Langseth, who knocked down 389 of the teams 2,127 kills this season.

This season the Bulldogs staked their claim as the best volleyball team UMD has ever had with a record of 31 wins and four losses, an undefeated conference record and a trip to the national semifinals in Pensacola, Florida.

The trip ended in a Final Four match when the Dogs lost to eventual Division II National champions, University of Tampa (34-1). The match came after a strong performance against University of California - San Diego (UCSD).

"The game against UCSD was exciting," said junior out-

side hitter Vicky Braegelmann. Braegelmann compiled her third straight first team All-American honor along with a plethora of other awards, including American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA) Division II co-player of the year. "(UCSD) couldn't keep up with us," said Braegelmann.

"We knew we could beat them. We only thought we could beat Tampa."

In 2004, the Bulldogs made a fantastically similar run to the Final Four, which ended in a loss to eventual National Champion Barry University. The similar 2004 Bulldogs, which landed head coach Jim Boos his first AVCA North Central Region National Coach of the Year award, didn't occupy the same attitude as the 2006 Dogs.

"In 2004, we were happy with the Final Four," said Langseth, who also captured

a second team All-American honor. "We were more disappointed this year that we didn't win it all. In 2004, it was like 'oh my gosh, we made it this far.'"

The Bulldogs haven't won a National Championship in the past three years. What they have won are in and out-of-state bragging rights and have launched UMD's volleyball program to new heights. If volleyball players want to be seen on a national scale, being a Bulldog is where it's at.

"Players are pursuing our program," said Braegelmann. "Kids want to play for us. It used to be that we would recruit players and ask them to play here. Now, they all want to play for us."

The 2006 team hasn't been changed too much since last year's team which graduated three seniors. This year the team remains mostly intact

but is losing an All-American in Langseth and an AVCA All-North Central Region senior, defensive specialist Chelsea Meierotto, who amassed 654 digs on the year.

"What I will miss the most is the team," said Langseth. "I'll miss hanging out with the team, practicing and just being part of the group. I'll even miss the weightlifting."

The Bulldog volleyball team has made it further in the NCAA tournament than any other Division II Bulldog team has.

Being an elder stateswoman on the team, Langseth knows how well next season's Bulldogs can be.

"They'll make it back to the Final Four for sure," said Langseth.

"We have a great group of freshman coming in next year," added Braegelmann.

Even though the Bulldogs are looking forward to next season, setter Katie Gangelhoff knows the impact the graduating seniors had on the team this season.

"Rachel (Langseth) was really smart on the court, and I knew that I could always

count on her to help us out in tight situations," said Gangelhoff. "I will definitely miss the ball control that Chelsea (Meierotto) brought to our team. She has really been a dominant factor in why our offense was such a success."

The bar was set high after the season the Dogs had in 2006, and a few holes will have to be patched up.

Two time letter winner Crystal Hoffrogge will most likely be the mainstay as a defensive specialist after a season of 25 serving aces and 200 digs.

The middle hitter position will almost certainly be held down by freshman Sarah Wyffels who added to the team's potent number of kills with 181, at a two per game clip.

Add to the mix a team whose camaraderie rivals that of the Partridge Family (e.g. All-American Gangelhoff's 1,759 assists on 2,127 kills) and the proverbial bar that was set this year could be served even higher. No puns intended.

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Vikings still eyeing playoffs

EDEN PRAIRIE, Minn. (AP)-The Minnesota Vikings have won exactly one game in the last five weeks.

They have shown flaws all over the field, from an offense that has to scratch and claw to score points to a defense that gives up passing yards by the truckload.

Yet here they sit, after Sunday's 31-26 victory over Arizona, one game out in the NFC playoff race.

"We're still in it," cornerback Antoine Winfield said Monday.

The Chicago Bears (9-2) may have a stranglehold on the NFC North, but the Vikings (5-6) are just behind Carolina and the New York Giants in the race for the two wild card spots.

Surprised?

"I'm never surprised by anything in this league," right tackle Mike Rosenthal said. "Anything can happen. I'm never surprised when guys have big games. I'm never surprised when a team loses that shouldn't."

It's been that kind of season.

After a surprisingly easy victory in Seattle on Oct. 22,

the Vikings were 4-2 and looking like one of the top teams in the NFC. But they were dominated at home against New England the following week, then lost three more to San Francisco, Green Bay and Miami in what was supposed to be the soft part of their schedule.

Fortunately for Minnesota, the rest of the NFC has been just as inconsistent. Atlanta, San Francisco and St. Louis are also 5-6, while the other three division leaders all have four losses.

"It's kind of the way the NFL has been the last few years with the parity," guard Jason Whittle said. "Right now, there's a lot of teams that are right there in that mid range. This is the time of year where you're going to go up or down. Hopefully we can be one of those teams to get on a roll here and make a run at the playoffs."

The Vikings are on the road the next two weeks with visits to Chicago and Detroit. They come home to face the Jets, then finish the season with a game at Green Bay and home against St. Louis.

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FANTASY FOOTBALL

Week 13

By Adan Pachon Mueller
Statesman Staff Reporter

For most fantasy leagues, this week is the final week before playoffs begin! Here are some players primed for big games in Week 13.

QUARTERBACK: *Rex Grossman*

After the first few games, Grossman was being talked about as an MVP candidate.

After poor performances in the past few weeks (despite leading his team to their current 9-2 record); there has been talk of Grossman being benched.

Have no fear Bears fans for here comes the league's 31st ranked passing defense, the Minnesota Vikings.

With the Vikings leading the league in rush defense, opposing offenses have chosen to attack through the air and abandon the run altogether.

In the past three weeks, the Vikings have allowed 347 yards and 2 TDs to Brett Favre, 247 yards and 1 TD to Joey Harrington and 405 yards and 1 TD to Matt Lienart.

Look for Grossman to straighten out his problems by having a big day in Chicago this Sunday.

RUNNING BACK: *Shaun Alexander*

After missing seven weeks with a broken foot, Alexander finally got his season back on track with 40 carries and 200-yard performance on Monday night.

Alexander's injury may not have been season ending for him, but it may have been for the fantasy football owners who chose him in the Top 3 picks of their draft, with many expecting another successful year from Alexander.

With Seattle back on track, the Seahawks will be giving

opposing teams a heavy dose of the 2005 MVP.

Seattle travels to Denver to play the Broncos who are led by rookie quarterback Jay Cutler for his first start.

Denver's rush defense, formerly ranked No. 1 in the league, but after a few poor performances, they have fallen out of the top 10.

Alexander should have a great game and remain a top fantasy running back for the rest of the season.

WIDE RECIEVER/ TIGHT END: *Steve Smith*

Perhaps the most explosive player in the NFL short of Ladanian Tomlinson, Smith has been putting together another solid season despite missing two games to a hamstring injury.

While the Panthers have been a letdown this season, it has not stopped Smith from getting "his."

Smith has scored a touchdown in each of the last three games.

When Panthers' quarterback Jake Delhomme continues his "lock on" playing style; remembering back to Mushin Muhammed's 1,600 yard and 16 TD year in 2004. Smith will continue to get the ball this season like Muhammed did a few years back.

Carolina's season may be on the line this Monday in Philadelphia, as the race for the NFC wild card spots are jam packed.

Smith will most likely get the ball early and often as he has a great game under the Monday night lights next week.

SLEEPER: *Marion Barber*

Surprisingly enough, Barber ranks 4th in the league in total touchdowns and 9th in overall fantasy points.

While he may split time in Dallas with Julius Jones, it's Barber who gets the carries at the goal line and receives out of the backfield.

While Barber has definitely come out of nowhere, it seems he is here to stay as a touchdown threat.

For those in leagues in which touchdowns weigh heavily, Barber has great value.

The red-hot Tony Romo will lead the Cowboys to New York to face the Giants in a big time rivalry game.

Barber and Jones should continue to split carries, but if Dallas scores, the chances are it will be Barber who gets the touchdown over Jones.

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SPORTS

Thursday, November 30, 2006

Olympians play big role this season

By Ali Draves
Statesman Staff Reporter

The UMD Women's Hockey team has a diverse roster, including a few experienced Olympians.

These student athletes have also contributed to the successful women's hockey tradition here at UMD.

"These players come in as freshman but are able to be impact players right away because of their experience in big games under pressure," said coach Shannon Miller.

Although they have already played at the Olympics, it is important to remember that they are still young, said Miller.

Heidi Pelttari, a freshman defenseman for the UMD Bulldogs participated in the 2006 Olympics with Team Finland. She was also a part of the Finnish National Championship team, the Ilves, since 2001, according to UMD's athletics website.

Kim Martin, freshman goaltender for the UMD Bulldogs, is also an experienced Olympian.

Martin represented her country, Sweden, at the 2006 Olympic games in Torino, Italy.

She won a silver medal and was named best goaltender in the 2006 Olympics, according to the website.

Martin was also named best female hockey player in Sweden for the 2003-2004 season when AIK (Team Sweden) won gold at the Swedish Championships, according to the website.

Martin takes a lot of her Olympic experience onto the ice as she skates for the UMD Bulldogs.

"I have grown as a player, and I have more experience," said Martin. "You have to be mentally tough to play those games."

Martin said she chose UMD because they have a great coaching staff.

Although she's an Olympian, Martin said there isn't a big difference between playing for UMD and Team Sweden.

"There is really nothing special about being an Olympian except that all players know who I am," said Martin. "You still have to work hard and prove that you are good."

Martin said her favorite Olympic memory was when she played against USA in the semifinal.

"The whole day was my favorite memory," said Martin. "Everything was exciting and fun."

Martin has high expectations for her seasons with the Bulldogs.

"I want to play good here at UMD and win the Frozen Four," said Martin.

However, she also has big goals when she returns home to Sweden.

"When I come back home, I want to play with the boys at the highest level possible," said Martin.

Sophomore forward Michaela Lanzl said there was nothing scary about the Olympics.

Lanzl has played on the German National Team since 1996 and has been a part of four World Championship teams, according to the website.

She was only 19 when she played in the 2002 Winter Olympics, where she led Team Germany in goals and was seventh overall in goal scoring.

"The Olympic games of 2002 will always be a memorable event in my life," said Lanzl. "The spirit of the games was so powerful."

Team Germany received fifth



CODY CUNNINGHAM/STATESMAN

Saara Tuominen (Right) prepares for a faceoff against Bemidji State earlier this season. Tuominen has scored four goals and contributed 11 assists for the Bulldogs.

place at the 2005 World Championships in Linköping, Sweden where Lanzl recorded a team high with four goals.

She played for DSC Oberthurgau in Switzerland and had an impressive 29 goals and 20 assists in just 14 games, according to the website.

Lanzl said she wasn't nervous during her Olympic experience.

"I had goose bumps all over my body during the opening ceremonies," said Lanzl.

She also said she walked away with some memorable moments.

"I will never forget when I met Wayne Gretzky," said Lanzl. "He is known as the best hockey player in the world."

Lanzl is a pre-med major at UMD and said she really likes going to school here.

"I heard great things about this school and that is why I chose UMD," said Lanzl. "And this team has the best coach ever."

Lanzl said the Olympics taught her an important lesson.

"I learned as a person," said Lanzl. "I learned how much you can reach in your life when you work hard."

Although being an Olympian is a great honor, it comes with a certain price.

"Being an Olympian not only means fun, it also means discipline,"

said Lanzl.

Coach Miller understands this discipline.

"These Olympians bring a great work ethic and focus to our UMD team, which helps all of us with our on ice and off ice training," said Miller.

Saara Tuominen is another player that has participated in the Olympic games.

Before UMD, this freshman forward participated in the 2006 Winter Olympics for Team Finland, according to the website.

"Being in the Olympics has been my dream since I was a kid because it is the biggest event to a female hockey player," said Tuominen.

Tuominen was the top scorer with the Finnish team Team Ilves last season and won a national championship.

She is also a member of the Finland Women's National Team.

Tuominen has won many medals, including the bronze in the Women's Championship tournament, the Finnish National League with Team Ilves in 2002-2003 in Halifax, Canada and in the Women's Championship tournament in Canada in 2003-2004, according to the website.

Although she has played for very prestigious teams, she loves playing



CODY CUNNINGHAM/STATESMAN

Kim Martin has given up seven goals with a record of 5-2 while in the net. Martin has produced three shutout victories this season.